

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Tuesday, May 14, 2002

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

S. 2511. *A bill to prevent trafficking in child pornography and obscenity, to proscribe pandering and solicitation relating to visual depictions of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct, to prevent the use of child pornography and obscenity to facilitate crimes against children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

Carnahan

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S. 2512. *A bill to provide grants for training court reporters and closed captioners to meet requirements for realtime writers under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.*

Harkin

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S. 2513. *A bill to assess the extent of the backlog in DNA analysis of rape kit samples, and to improve investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases with DNA evidence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

Biden

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Measures Reported:

S. 1867, *to establish the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States, with amendments.* (S. Rept. No. 107-150)

Pages S 4330, D 480

H.R. 3009 - Andean Trade Preference Expansion Act:

Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, and to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Withdrawn:

Grassley Amendment No. 3409 (to Amendment No. 3408), to make preserving the ability of the United States to enforce rigorously its trade laws a principal trade negotiating objective.

Pages S 4299-S 4309, D 480

Pending:

Baucus/Grassley Amendment No. 3401, in the nature of a substitute.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 15, 2002.

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Executive Communications:

EC-6988. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ***“Prevailing Rate Systems; Change in the Survey Cycle for the Portland, OR, Appropriated Fund Wage Area”*** (RIN3206-AJ60) received on May 8, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Executive Communications (Cont'd):

EC-6989. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, Employment Service, Office of Employment Policy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ***“Placement Assistance and Reduction in Force Notices”*** received on May 8, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6990. A communication from the Director, Employment Service, Staffing and Restructuring Policy Division, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ***“Federal Employment Priority Consideration Program for Displaced Employees of the District of Columbia Department of Corrections”*** (RIN3206-AI28) received on May 8, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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EC-7006. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-357, ***“Election Recount and Judicial Review Amendment Act of 2002;”*** to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7007. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-356, ***“Residential Permit Parking Area Amendment Act of 2002;”*** to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7008. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-355, ***“Office of Employee Appeals Attorney Fees Clarification Amendment Act of 2002;”*** to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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Committee Meeting:

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs concluded hearings to examine seeking justice for sexual assault victims, focusing on Department of Justice efforts ***to promote the use of DNA evidence to combat crime and impact of the Debbie Smith Act on crime laboratories throughout the United States.***

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Committee Meeting for Wednesday, May 15, 2002:

Committee on the Judiciary: @ 9:30 a.m. To hold hearings to examine copyright royalties, focusing on webcasting. SD-226.

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HOUSE

*Incomplete record of House proceedings.
Today's House proceedings will be continued in the next issue of the Record.*

Reports Filed:

Reports were filed today as follows:

Justice Undone: Clemency Decisions in the Clinton White House (H. Rept. 107-454).

H.R. 2624, to authorize the Attorney General to make grants to honor, through permanent tributes, men and women of the United States who were killed or disabled while serving as law enforcement or public safety officers. **(H. Rept. 107-458)**

H.R. 3892, to amend title 28, United States Code, to make certain modifications in the judicial discipline procedures, amended. **(H. Rept. 107-459)**

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Executive Communications:

EC - 6804. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting the *2000 Annual Report of the National Institute of Justice (NIJ)*; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Committee Meetings:

Committee on Appropriations: *Continued markup of the supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2002. Will continue tomorrow.*

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on **H.R. 4685**, *Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002*.

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Committee on the Judiciary: *Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security approved for full Committee action H.R. 4689, Fairness in Sentencing Act of 2002. Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from Charles R. Tetzlaff, General Counsel, U.S. Sentencing Commission; John Roth, Section Chief, Department of Justice; James M. Rosenbaum, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and William G. Otis, former Assistant U.S. Attorney General, District of Virginia.*

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Committee Meeting for Wednesday, May 15, 2002:

Committee on Appropriations: @ 1:30 p.m. To continue markup of the supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2002. 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform: @ 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on *"Medical Science and Bioethics: Attack of the Clones?"* 2154 Rayburn.

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Remarks:

Indian Child Welfare Act Amendments of 2002. (H.R. 2644)

*"...In 2002, we still have American Indian and Alaska Native children being adopted out of families, tribal communities and states. [] The amendments include, among others, the following provisions: [] Narrows the grounds upon which state courts can refuse to transfer cases to tribal courts. [] Defines the circumstances under which state ICWA violations may be **reviewed by federal courts and provides for federal review of state ICWA compliance...**"*

Young

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Child Online Protection Act.

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Immigration Reform.

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Next SENATE MEETING: Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., May 15, 2002.

Next HOUSE MEETING: Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., May 15, 2002.

OLA: S. Schwarz, A. Santos